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SUBJECT: ROK OBSERVES AUSTRALIAN-JAPANESE AGREEMENTS TO  
CONSULT ON ENERGY QUESTIONS, INCLUDING NUCLEAR SAFEGUARDS.

REF: CANBERRA 4987 (NOTAL)

1. NEWLY ARRIVED KOREAN ECON COUNSELOR INFORMED EMBOFF THAT THE  
ROK HAS NOTED WITH GREAT INTEREST THE RECENT MEETING IN  
CANBERRA (JUNE 26-27) OF THE FIFTH GOA-GOJ MINISTERIALS AND  
PARTICULARLY THE AGREEMENT TO CONSULT ON ENERGY MATTERS.

2. SOURCE SAID THAT THE AUSTRALIANS HAVE AGREED TO MEET IN  
SEOUL IN AUGUST TO DISCUSS, AMONG OTHER ECONOMIC SUBJECTS,  
THE RANGE OF SUBJECTS SUBSUMED UNDER THE UMBRELLA OF THE  
ANNOUNCED GOA-GOJ JOINT STUDY GROUP, I.E., RAW MATERIALS  
PROCESSING AND LONG-TERM INVESTMENT POSSIBILITIES. THE  
SOUTH KOREANS ARE INTERESTED IN ACCESS TO AUSTRALIAN RAW  
MATERIALS IN GENERAL AND TO URANIUM IN PARTICULAR AND ARE  
ANXIOUS TO REVIEW NUCLEAR SAFEGUARDS AND, IN THE AREA OF  
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NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY FOR PREACEFUL PURPOSES, TO CLARIFY THE  
APPARENT INTEREST OF THE AUSTRALIANS IN THE IAEA SYSTEM  
WHICH, THEY SEEM TO UNDERSTAND, IS THE WAY THE AUSTRALIANS ARE  
LEANING.

3. COMMENT: ROY FERNANDEZ, WHO HEADS UP THE NUCLEAR  
DIVISION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (AND WHO MET IN

CANBERRA WITH DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY NYE ON JUNE 21-23 FOR THE USG-GOA DISCUSSIONS ON NUCLEAR ISSUES) HAS CONFIRMED THE ESSENTIAL SUBSTANCE OF THIS INFORMATION. THE AUSTRALIANS ARE GOING TO DISCUSS NUCLEAR MATTERS WITH THE JAPANESE, THE PHILIPPINES AND IRAN AND, ACCORDING TO OUR INFORMATION, EXPECT THAT THE DISCUSSIONS IN SEOUL WILL BE NEAR THE END OF AUGUST.  
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